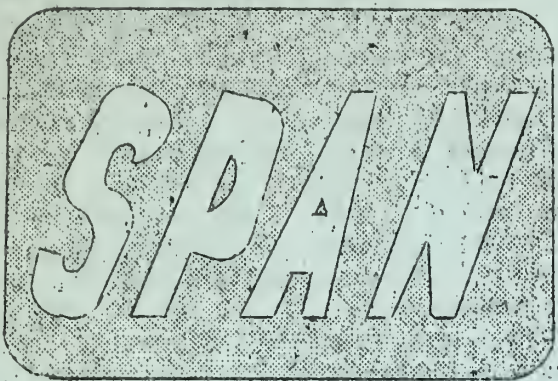


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BIRTHDAYS FEB. 11 THRU FEB. 17

Nora C. Ross; Mary E. Krug; John J. Graff; Marian C. Barry; J. Ralph Northrop*; Helen Matiszus; Lucille F. Egan; Edward R. Kipp*; Dorothy W. Kirk; Robert W. Luckey; Rudolph W. Carlson; Helen M. Siepman; Earl Dadson; Adrayn L. Keel*; Hattie M. Snyder; Rodney K. Waldron*; Lois L. Werner; Harlow S. Person; Mary E. Riggle; Marie Agnes Collins; Kenneth M. Hale*; Harry L. Oswald*; Roscoe F. Williamson
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NOTICE TO ALL REA HIKERS

Reserve Wednesday Night, March 7, for our first annual Hiking Club party. It will be at the Rathskellar of the K. of C. Hall at Olive and Grand. We will go from work and have a spaghetti dinner. We have the use of the piano and the nickelodeon. Membership cards and prizes will be presented. Expenses will be paid from our treasury. Further details will appear later.

ATTENTION! RADIO FANS

All those interested in joining a Radio Club please meet in Room 945 after work Tuesday, February 13.

WANTED: Small efficiency apartment, furnished. Marie Inman, Room 1142.
WANTED: 3 or 4 room unfurnished apartment, Ext. 577.

AN OPTIMIST is a man who expects a home atmosphere in a hotel and hotel service in a home.

TONIGHT
IS THE NIGHT

Tonight's the night and the St. Louis Community Playhouse is the place. The Athletic Association sponsored performance of "Skin of Our Teeth" will begin promptly at 8:30. Seats will not be reserved; playgoers will be seated on a first come, first served basis.

Six REA girls will be present to act as hostesses. They are:

Roberta Bailey - Office of Administrator
Mary E. Krug - Management
Kathleen Dowd - Applications & Loans
Virginia Reck - Design & Construction
Olga Yuhas - Budget Office
Iris J. Powell - Personnel

The Athletic Association Committee in charge of arrangements for the play announced yesterday that almost all the tickets for the show have been sold. However, a few ducats remain and they are still available from Georgia Kick in Room 1119. In case any REAers have been caught by the pay-day lag, it was announced that they may buy tickets and pay for them next pay-day. Seats are only \$1.25 each, representing a saving of over forty cents per ticket since the regular price is \$1.65 per seat.

Several REA people who have seen the play already (as part of the Community Playhouse Season subscription) report that the show is unlike any other type of entertainment. Much of the action is strictly informal -- some of it takes place on the stage and some in the theater itself. In any event, Thornton Wilder has an excellent reputation for writing unusual and provocative drama, and "Skin of Our Teeth" is no exception. Refreshments will be served to playgoers between the acts. The curtain will go up promptly at 8:30 p.m.

10 OR MORE YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Edward R. Kipp, 15 yrs., 6 mos.
(7 yrs., 5 mos. in REA)

BOWLING STANDINGS AS OF FEBRUARY 10, 1945

Team	Won	Lost	Percent	Average	High Game	High Set
Raters	38	16	.704	721	889	2382
Radars	37	17	.685	686	870	2472
Solicitors	35	19	.648	744	863	2485
Kilo-ettes	32	22	.593	629	776	2276
Five Aces	26	28	.481	684	884	2225
Operators	25	29	.463	682	846	2230
Five Deuces	25	29	.463	645	856	2245
Ruralettes	25	29	.463	641	822	2339
Sweater Girls	24	30	.444	625	796	2237
Administrators	22	32	.407	708	809	2330
Managettes	22	32	.407	614	728	2111
Terry's Pirates	14	40	.259	608	770	2146

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IT'S A SELL OUT. S.R.O. is the sign which will undoubtedly greet the eye of all youse who neglected to purchase a ticket for the big night at the St. L. Community Playhouse. The modus operandi of that gal, E. Wetjen, and B. Krug was nothing less than a steam roller and from now on they are nominated to steam roller anything which REAAA sponsors thru to an equally successful conclusion. Vive! the team work. Emily says she has seen it seven times and likes it better each time. Somebody made a terrible faux pas in reporting the name of the new recruit for the WAVES who arrived at the McPhee menage - 'twasn't "Gale" but Beth Hall McPhee who arrived. Our reporter evidently had her names mixed up with her descriptive adjectives and was only describing Bea's descent upon that state which has everything that the other 47 have and a lot of things which they don't, such as J. Jones, cow boys; steaks, embroidered boots and those ducky wucky snowy wide-brimmed sombreros. Vanity, vanity, all is vanity and "Buch" refusing to be outdone by any 11th floor mirror wended his way amongst the marts and turned up with a little reflector for the charms of his belles femmes. Now they are all hoping that it will turn out to be a magic mirror and that some of these days they, like Alice, will take a walk right thru it for a talk with a Carpenter and a Walrus and get a squint at the antics of that not-so-mad Red Queen. The trek is still toward the risin' sun-Frank Linder hopped to N. Y. where he gave a mighty fine speech before the A.I.E.E. and Grand pere T. went along to cheer but didn't make out so good on account of the trains didn't know how important it was and he arrived too late to be of any assistance. R. Dougie went the same way but that seems to be a deep, dark secret to not more than 9/10ths of the organization; the B. W. went for no one knows what but the stories range from "just for the ride" to giving counsel to the Big Three prior to their meeting near the Black Sea, though that last might be discounted without too much effort. Hurrah! hurrah! Virginia K. is still with REA. V. won't be under the "Big Top" but will now be attached to one of the side shows known as the Liaison Office, working along with that friendly gentleman of the cherubic countenance and the rosy cheeks who presides over the destiny (just during office hours) of all the little liaisoners, and right along side of "that man" who can make littler offices out of little offices and those two antiseptic boys with the dust cloth complex - the Gold Dust Twins. Maybe she got there on her own but it also may be that a bit of blackmail helped along the good work. SPAN never allowing itself to be hampered by facts or the facts to hamper the imagination had dreamed up a most lurid and audacious episode that might have happened in the life of the gent whose tailleur is Omar, the T. M., and would have had no hesitancy in printing said episode had it been necessary and though it grieves us unbelievably the lurid past will be tucked away until some future time when we can just dust it off and probably add more to it. Ethel Johnson who used to gather up the odds and ends of gossip in the realm of the Barristers before they went into hibernation and before she hithered herself eastward, writes

BOWLING (CONT'D)

MEN		WOMEN	
High Ave. -	Bullock, 165	Reno,	145
High Game -	Adams, 245	Goergens,	205
High Set -	Bullock, 581	Kick & Reno,	496

that 'tis the most wonderful spot in the wide USA - so much to see, so many places to go, so many things to do and so many people to fall over in trying to make the underground and all one needs is money, money, money - well, 'twasn't love that built that Sodom at the end of the Hudson River. FLASH: P(rivileged) F(riend) of the C(olonel) Anne Vernier now reports from California, working for a B. G. but is mighty put out 'cause she forgot to report her birthday to him and part of his job in winnin' this war is kissin' the gals come the natal day - what was it that Sherman said about war-- he should have lived so long. Come March 15, there may be another world shaking announcement concerning PFC Vernier though it all depends on whether she can get a furlo; he can get a furlo, a special dispensation from the Vatican along with a few minor details such as either or both changing their minds before the great day - keep tuned to this station for the news. HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE: Our little helpmate, V. Manovill with a dandy shiner which she swears came from falling over a chair; Lt. Hal Thaxton, son of you know who, changing his golden bars for silver ones; Geo. Roewe, us-to-be-er of the D&C, stopping to say Hi on his way to Brazil to carry on our good neighbor policy thru the medium of sound engineering - we hope; Sara Plotkin, former Legaler, announcing that she and S/Sgt. Sidney Stein are now one; the newsboy at the corner evidently suffering from a bad case of laryngitis on account of he forgot to yell "All about THAT REA"-not a peep out of him so far; Betty June Morgan week-ending in Chi and returning with a wardrobe that can only be described as tres chic; O. Briden recovering from an operation in Missouri Baptist Hospital while his field man D. Barber wends his way toward another hospital and "Blick" Blick-: ley also on the not-so-well list; I. Powell displaying pictures of her babyhood when she was just so big and her catty gal friends declaring they send chills of horror up their backs; our eminent President, Brownie, and M. (not Mae) Murray doing a strip act-you know; checking all those adding machine strips for the proper figger; Jane Sherman, CODer, leaving us to follow her soldier husband who is being transferred; Vivian (nee Long) Jackson ditto; and will someone kindly find out where J. Markland learned the art of penmanship. SPAN disclaims any responsibility for some of the things which appear in this column 'cause only a magician could possibly interpret the hyerglophics which Joanie uses for the ABC's.

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